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Inventor(s) Eisenhans et al.			
Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXAMINING FLUIDS OF BIOLOGICAL ORIGIN			

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Amendment Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
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In response to the Notice of Allowability dated February 5, 2004,  
Applicants respectfully request the entry of the following amendment.